

Morse Talks To Collegians; 2,000 Here Cheer Kennedy

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Chestertown, Md., May 13—Senator Wayne L. Morse continued his attack on what he calls Senator John F. Kennedy's "reactionary record" today by needing his opponent on foreign policy, tax issues, public power and aid to education.

Mr. Morse got warm response from about 300 students at Washington College, where Senator Kennedy began his Maryland primary campaign two days ago.

The Massachusetts Senator's crowd reached nearly 1,000 with the advantage of being held at night. Tomorrow Morse's talk was this afternoon, and arranged on short notice.

The two are the principal contenders for Maryland's support in Tuesday's Democratic Presidential preference primary.

The Oregon Senator also said

he wanted to check his statement yesterday that he was in a "stop-Kennedy" position. "This is a one-man" position, he said, on behalf of no one else, he stated.

He repeated, too, that he was "no stalking horse" for Adlai Stevenson, whom he has designated as his choice for President after himself.

Mr. Morse elaborated on this in a Baltimore television talk tonight, saying he would favor any of the major Democratic candidates—"even Lyndon Johnson"—in Senator Kennedy. All are more liberal, he said.

He previously has said it would be a "mistake" for the party to nominate Senator Johnson.

In his evening talk, he also said "the only thing that's ganged up on Jack Kennedy is his own voting record."

Senator Morse also strongly condemned this country's "spy plane" reconnaissance flights over Russia, as well as the Soviet Premier's reaction to the incident.

Russian fighter planes could have "encircled it and forced it down," he said, but instead it was shot down for propaganda purposes.

"Neither can we justify having the plane there. . . . Sooner or later we are going to have incident or accident that will release the first bomb, and the holocaust will be on," he said.

On foreign policy, he said Mr. Kennedy had voted for "brinkmanship and near war" every time the issues had arisen, pointing out the ballot on the GOP Administration's request for "a predated declaration of war," in the Formosa Straits and the Middle East.

His opponent also differed with him by approving military aid to General Trujillo of the Dominican Republic, he stated.

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Mr. Morse also said Mr. Kennedy had voted in favor of tax changes benefiting big business but says he opposes increased income tax exemptions because of the loss of revenue it would involve.

"His concern for revenue losses to the Treasury only shows up when we are considering better tax treatment for low and middle income taxpayers," he charged.

He also said Mr. Kennedy agreed with the Republicans by voting against amendments whereby the friends of public power were trying to beat back the Budget Bureau and the administration on the crippling of these great agencies.

Finally, he declared, his opponent worked against including grants to service men under the GI education bill and took the position that Federal aid to schools should cover only school construction help. Mr. Kennedy did vote for the entire education bill, including teachers' pay provisions, he added.

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